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Field Crops

Durum wheat and barley are headed on at least 60 percent of the acreage. Cotton planting is complete on 35 percent of the acreage across the State. Alfalfa harvest remains active on over three-quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa conditions are mostly good to excellent. Range and pasture conditions are mostly fair.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week central Arizona growers continued to ship various citrus.

Western Arizona growers continued to ship broccoli, cabbage, and various citrus. Lettuce shipments included green and red leaf, iceberg, and romaine.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	- Percent -						
Alfalfa	0	3	23	31	43		
Range and Pasture	19	18	37	19	7		

Crop Progress

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	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.			
	- Percent -						
Cotton							
 Planted 	35	25	38	35			
Durum Wheat							
 Headed 	60	45	63	62			
Barley							
 Headed 	65	55	68	67			

Weather Summary

Temperatures were below normal at most of the reporting stations across the State for the week ending April 19, ranging from 8 degrees below normal at Coolidge to 2 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 98 degrees at Roll, and the lowest reading of 12 degrees occurred at

Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at 4 of the 22 stations. Flagstaff received the most at 0.12 inches of precipitation. Grand Canyon and Tucson received the least with 0.01 inches. With this week's limited precipitation, there are no stations with above normal precipitation for the year to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data April 13, 2009 - April 19, 2009

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	Temperature				Precipitation			
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	59	-5	90	30	0.00	1.29	-2.43	35
Buckeye	64	-2	93	35	0.00	0.84	-1.61	34
Canyon De Chelly	46	-6	69	19	0.05	1.59	-0.79	67
Coolidge	60	-8	94	30	0.00	1.39	-1.54	47
Douglas	56	-5	80	31	0.00	0.98	-0.78	56
Flagstaff	40	-3	63	15	0.12	2.84	-4.88	37
Grand Canyon	40	2	64	12	0.01	2.63	-5.19	34
Kingman	53	-5	77	33	0.00	2.49	-0.84	75
Marana	63	-4	93	37	0.00	1.68	-1.81	48
Maricopa	63	-6	94	36	0.00	0.71	-1.90	27
Paloma	62	-6	94	34	0.00	0.97	-1.62	37
Parker	65	-5	96	41	0.00	0.59	-1.46	29
Payson	50	-3	77	23	0.00	4.22	-2.84	60
Phoenix	67	-4	88	46	0.00	1.68	-0.77	69
Prescott	49	0	71	28	0.00	2.04	-3.44	37
Roll	65	-3	98	37	0.00	0.61	-0.31	66
Safford	58	-4	85	32	0.00	1.07	-0.94	53
St. Johns	49	-4	72	21	0.00	0.71	-1.78	29
Tucson	62	-5	83	38	0.01	1.72	-0.76	69
Willcox	54	-4	80	29	0.00	1.64	-0.76	68
Winslow	51	-3	75	25	0.00	0.65	-1.04	38
Yuma	69	-3	91	48	0.00	0.62	-0.30	67

^{1/} Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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